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AMMUNITION SECURITY LEGISLATION

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THERE FOLLOWS SELF-EXPLANATORY TEXT OF HOW 694 OF DECEMBER 23,
1974, "REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE CARRYING OF ARMS ABOARD
AIRCRAFT."

ARTICLE 1. WHEN A PASSENGER LEAVES THE NATIONAL TERRITORY
ABOARD A NATIONAL OR FOREIGN AIRPLANE USED FOR PASSENGER
TRANSPORT SERVICES AND IS CARRYING ON HIM OR IN HIS LUGGAGE
ARMS OR AMMUNITION, HE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO DECLARE THEM BEFORE
ACCEPTANCE BY THE AIR CARRIER AND TO GIVE THEM TO THE FRONTIER
POLICE OFFICE OF THE AIRPORT OR, IF THERE IS NO SUCH OFFICE,
TO THE POLICE OFFICE OF THE AIRPORT, EVEN IF HE HAS A
PERMIT FOR CARRYING FIRE ARMS OR AN EXPORTATION LICENSE.
THE FRONTIER POLICE OFFICE OF THE AIRPORT OR THE POLICE OFFICE
OF THE AIRPORT SHALL HAVE THE ARMS AND AMMUNITION INSPECTED
AND SHALL HAND THEM OVER, IN AGREEMENT WITH THE CARRIER, TO
THE CAPTAIN OR TO ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE CREW DESIGNATED BY
HIM, WHO WILL SEE THAT THEY ARE PLACED ON BOARD AND KEPT IN
THE AIRPLANE'S HOLD OR IN A SPECIAL CONTAINER. AT THE END OF
THE JOURNEY, THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE ARMS AND AMMUNITION DECLARED
AND HANDED OVER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPH
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SHALL BE REQUESTED BY WHOEVER IS ENTITLED TO DO SO FROM THE

AFORESAID POLICE OFFICES AT THE NATIONAL LANDING PLACE OF ARRIVAL. THE ARMS AND AMMUNITION SHALL BE TAKEN TO THE SAID OFFICES BY THE CARRIER. IN FOREIGN AIRPORTS THE WITHDRAWAL OF ARMS OR AMMUNITION IS SUBJECT TO LOCAL REGULATIONS.

ARTICLE 2. WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE PROVISIONS REFERRED TO IN FOLLOWING ART. 3; (A) A PASSENGER ARRIVING FROM ABROAD ON BOARD OF A FOREIGN AIRPLANE IN TRANSIT IN A NATIONAL AIRPORT - SHALL HAND OVER, EVEN IF HE HAS A PERMIT FOR CARRYING FIRE ARMS OR A LICENSE FOR TRANSPORTING SUCH ARMS, THE ARMS OR AMMUNITION HE MAY BE CARRYING ON HIM OR IN HIS HAND LUGGAGE, AND SHALL DECLARE THOSE CONTAINED IN HIS BAGGAGE KEPT IN THE HOLD, TO THE CAPTAIN OR TO ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE CREW DESIGNATED BY THE CAPTAIN, IF HE IS GOING TO CONTINUE HIS JOURNEY ABOARD THE SAME AIRCRAFT. THE CAPTAIN OF THE SAID AIRCRAFT, OR THE MEMBER OF THE CREW DESIGNATED BY HIM, WITH WHOM ARMS OR AMMUNITION HAVE BEEN LEFT OR TO WHOM THEY HAVE BEEN DECLARED OR WHO HAS BEEN INFORMED OF THEIR EXISTENCE ON BOARD, SHALL IMMEDIATELY INFORM THE POLICE OFFICES REFERRED TO IN PRECEDING ARTICLE 1 AND THE SAID OFFICES SHALL IMPART THE INSTRUCTIONS DEEMED NECESSARY ACCORDING TO LAW; (B) WHEN THE PASSENGER COMING FROM ABOARD PURSUES HIS JOURNEY ON BOARD OF AN AIRPLANE DIFFERENT FROM THE ONE HE ARRIVED ON, OR THE JOURNEY IS INTERRUPTED OR COMES ON AN END, HE SHALL BE REQUIRED, EVEN IF HE HAS A PERMIT FOR CARRYING FIRE ARMS OR AN IMPORTATION LICENSE, TO HAND OVER THE ARMS AND AMMUNITION HE IS CARRYING ON HIM OR IN HIS HAND BAGGAGE, AND TO DECLARE THOSE CONTAINED IN THE BAGGAGE KEPT IN THE HOLD, TO THE CAPTAIN OF THE AIRPLANE OR TO ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE CREW DESIGNATED BY THE CAPTAIN, WHO WILL INFORM THEREOF THE OFFICERS REFERRED TO IN PRECEDING ARTICLE 1. THE ARMS AND AMMUNITION HANDED OVER AS INDICATED ABOVE SHALL BE CARRIED TO THE SAID OFFICES BY THE CARRIER IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ART. 1 OF THIS LAW.

ARTICLE 3. PASSENGERS BOARDING ABROAD AN AIRPLANE FLYING THE NATIONAL FLAG SHALL HAND OVER THE ARMS AND AMMUNITION THEY ARE CARRYING ON THEM OR IN THEIR LUGGAGE TO THE AIRPLANE'S CAPTAIN OR TO ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE CREW DESIGNATED BY HIM, WHO WILL KEEP THEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ART. 1 OF THIS LAW. FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF

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ARMS AND AMMUNITION, THE PROVISIONS OF ART. 1 OF THIS LAW SHALL APPLY.

ARTICLE 4. THE OBLIGATIONS REFERRED TO IN THIS LAW SHALL NOT APPLY TO THE POLICE OFFICERS AND POLICEMEN REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH ONE AND PARAGRAPH TWO OF ART. 73 OF THE POLICE REGULATIONS APPROVED BY ROYAL DECREE NO. 635 OF MAY 6, 1940 NOR TO OFFICERS, NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEN OF THE

ARMED FORCES TRAVELLING FOR SERVICE REASONS, ONLY FOR ARMS PROVIDED FOR BY THEIR RESPECTIVE MILITARY REGULATIONS.

THE PROVISIONS OF THE NAVIGATION CODE PERTAINING TO THE POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE AIRPLANE'S CAPTAIN REMAIN UNCHANGED.

ARTICLE 5. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS LAW, IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE ARMS REFERRED TO HEREIN ARE THOSE ENVISAGED BY ART. 30 OF THE CONSOOLIDATED TEXT OF POLICE LAWS APPROVED BY ROAYAL DECREE NO. 773 OF JUNE 1, 1931.

ARTICLE 6. THE PASSENGER WHO DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS LAW SHALL BE PUNISHED BY UP TO FIVE YEARS IMPRISONMENT AND UP TO 500,000 LIRE FINE. THE CAPTIAN OF AN AIRPLANE OR MEMBER OF THE CREW WHO DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ART. 2 SHALL BE PUNISHED BY AN UP TO 30,000 LIRE FINE. THIS LAW, WITH THE STATE SEAL AFFIXED THEREON, SHALL BE ENTERED IN THE OFFICIAL DEPOSITORY OF THE LAWS AND DECREES OF THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY. ALL PERSONS CONCERNED THEREWITH ARE REQUIRED TO OBSERVE THE LAW AND HAVE IT OBSERVED AS A LAW OF THE STATE. VOLPE

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